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Regulations governing the awarding of the Paul Reuter Prize

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The Paul Reuter Prize of 5,000 Swiss francs is generally awarded every three years in recognition of an outstanding work in the field of international humanitarian law. The Paul Reuter Fund, which finances the prize, among other things, was created in 1983 thanks to a donation made to the ICRC by the late Paul Reuter, Honorary Professor at the University of Paris and member of the Institute of International Law. In 2022, the Fund was transferred to the Foundation for the ICRC, which now oversees the administration of the prize.

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II. THE PAUL REUTER PRIZE

Article 3. Purpose, frequency and conditions

- 3.1 Unless the Committee or the jury decides otherwise, the Paul Reuter Prize is awarded every three years.
- 3.2 The prize is awarded for a work that aims to enhance knowledge or understanding of international humanitarian law and that stands out for its authoritative, innovative, humanitarian, useful and general nature.
- 3.3 The work must be either unpublished or have been published in the three years between the last and the current deadline for applications.
- 3.4 The work must be a monograph that addresses an issue of international humanitarian law, be written by a single author or a very small number of co-authors, and cover one or several related themes. Completed doctoral theses that have not yet been published may also be submitted. However, master's degree theses, articles, booklets, volumes edited by several individuals, teaching manuals and any other kind of work are explicitly excluded.

Article 4. Applications

- 4.1 Authors whose work meets the requirements set out in Article 3 may apply by sending their applications to the Committee's chairperson by the deadline set out in the call for applications.
- 4.2 Applications must include:
 - a brief curriculum vitae
 - a list of the applicant's or applicants' publications
 - three unabridged, printed copies of the work being submitted for the award and one electronic copy (.doc or .pdf).
- 4.3 Applications must be submitted in English, French or Spanish.
- 4.4 In the interest of fairness, ICRC staff members may not apply. Likewise, individuals who have worked for the ICRC in the ten years leading up to the application deadline may not apply.

Article 5. Announcement date, prize money and award ceremony

- 5.1 The name of the prize winner(s) shall be made public on 12 February of the year the prize is awarded or on 12 February of the following year.
- 5.2 The prize winner(s) shall receive a certificate attesting to the quality of their work and 5,000 Swiss francs.
- 5.3 The selected work may contain the following words: "Winner of the Paul Reuter Prize (year), awarded by the Foundation for the International Committee of the Red Cross."
- 5.4 The prize will be awarded to the winner(s) by the president of the ICRC or a person designated by the president to do so.

Article 6. Appeals

- 6.1 The jury's decision is final.